

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	Art Unit: 1633
Jean-Marie BUERSTEDDE <i>et al.</i>	Examiner: Fereydoun Sajjadi
Appln. No.: 10/590,211	Confirm No.: 5528
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For: Methods for Genetic Diversification in Gene Conversion Active Cells	

Statement of the Substance of the Interview of May 22, 2009

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit the following written statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R.

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On May 22, 2009, Applicants' representatives, David Marsh, Kristan Lansbery, Olga Bezzubova and Julie Blum, participated in a personal interview with Examiner Fereydoun Sajjadi regarding the captioned application.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the May 22 Interview and for his helpful comments provided during the Interview.

Applicants' representatives and the Examiner discussed the rejection of the pending claims under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) over Sale *et al.* During the Interview, Applicants' representatives and the Examiner discussed amendments to the claims which may place the

current application in condition for allowance. Applicants indicated that they would include these claim amendments in a response to the Final Office Action mailed February 9, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Julie L. Blum". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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